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New York Opening Day May Eliminate Speculators and Professionals.

THE COTTON SITUATION

Proposal to Run Domestic Mills Day and Night-New Railroad Tariffs Expensive.

By W. STEALEY.

Many small investors who bought stocks

for cash to small investors must have exceeded all previous records in the last two or three days the exchange was open to keep the transfer clerks busy for the whole week which has elapsed.

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stocks has not been closed, and heavy odd-lot trading for cash would follow banking interests show progress steadily the reopening of the exchange on that making toward stability financially in basis. Under such conditions, the stock we York. Coincident with the report market would be fulfilling its legitimate

\$365,652 or 3.8 per cent, bringing net after for the better generally may come at any taxes down to \$3,650,610 or the smallest amount since 1808, when gross revenues sources."

It also is said in explanation that the transfer offices of the companies have been so swamped with the vast number of odd-lot transfers that they have not yet caught up with the work of making out the certificates. The volume of sales for cash to small investors must have

Proposals to run domestic cotton mills

The United States has over 31,000,000 active spindles and consumes on an aver-age less than 500,000 bales a month, During the last five years our average crop has been 12.094.000 bales; our yearly consumption, 5.017.000 bales, and our experts, 8.641.000 bales. We have experted 56.18 per cent of our entire production. Last year's experts were worth. Last year's exports were worth

It takes time to establish markets and to put the milis in line with a par-dicular trade. If the monthly consump-tion of cotton could be raised 50 per cent to 750,000 bales a month, that would afford a substantial gain all around, provided profitable markets could be se-cured for the textiles turned out.

Association territory expect that new tariffs conforming to the recent decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission granting increases in rates, will have to be prepared and that the cost will be be-tween \$1,000,000 and \$1,500,000, those filed with the commission when the advance was first asked for not being in shape to be used and so representing a dead loss. The latter carried increases for both trunk line and central freight territory. The average proportion of the ex-pense of the Lake Shore, Nickel Plate, and Wheeling and Lake Erie for new tariffs is figured at \$50,000 for each of these roads and comes out of the revenue

market would be fulfilling its legitimate that a prominent banking institution in function, and it would be interesting to New York has been made financial agent watch what would follow the establishment of a real cash market for securities ment was made that the foreign exin which speculators and professional change situation which shows the worst in which speculators and professional manipulators would have no part.

In many small cities throughout the world minor stock exchanges have always done business in this way, and most of these minor exchanges have always and most of these minor exchanges are open now.

Atlantic Coast Line's balance for dividends on the common stock for the fiscal year ended Juns 30, 1914. was approximately \$7,000,000 or about \$500,000 less than in the 1913 fiscal year; this balance is equivalent to alightly better than 10 per cent on the \$55,555,000 common stock. Gross earnings for the twelve months totaling \$25,822,897 recorded a gain of \$709,826 or 1.9 per cent over 1913. Decrease in net was, however, greater than the improvement in gross; that decrease was an encouraging feature. A sudden change for the better generally may come at any

Many small investors who bought stocks for cash have not yet been able to get the certificates from their brokers, who explain to them that as the stock exchange has been closed the stock has not yet been delivered to them (the brokers), and consequently they cannot make transfer at present.

It also is said in explanation that the

Production of pig fron in July was 1,967,645 tons agains; 1,917,783 tons in June, Proposals to run domestic cotton mills day and night to make goods for the South and Central American trade, has been suggested as a remedy for disposing of the surplus cotton that usually goes into export at this stage of the and June, 63,915 tons.

On August I there were 188 furnace in blast compared with 194 active fur-naces on July 1, but as many of the stacks blowing out were of small ca-pacity and others which were blown in

	The statement of railroad operations						
1	for June, including ninety-four large						
	roads in the United States, with an						
4	average mileage operated at 99,004,						
	against 98,338 miles in June a year ago,						
r	compares as follows:						
ı	1914. 1917.						
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Not operating revenue... \$35,621,672

For twelve months ended June 30:
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The New York Central reports for the twelve months as follows

The Central Leather Company has adhe new rates are to yield.

New York Financial Bureau to Lewis 2 cents a pound. This, if it becomes ef-

Taxes 6,206,863 6,286,462 6perating increase................. 26,515,290 25,866,112

WASHINGTON	\$7,487,000		
New York	1,547,913,000		
Chicago	327,858,600	1.7	
Philadelphia	162,275,000	1.6	- 6
Boston	167, 239, 600	19.8	
St. Louis	68,211,000	****	- 1
Pittsburgh	52,595,000	****	
Exnses City	68,072,000	2.7	- 3
San Francisco.	48, 164, 000	.1	- 9
Baltimore	67,645,000	25.1	- 8
Detroit	28,539,000	****	
Cincinnati	22,770,000	1.0	
Minneapolis	25,127,000	30.2	- 0
Cleveland	24,806,900	9.9	- 8
Los Angeles	21,180,000	.1	- 4
New Orleans	17,954,000	23.6	- 3
Omaha	15,819,000	4316	-
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Atlanta	10,551,000	7.6	- 6
Louisville	12,130,000	****	- 9
Seattle	12.254.000	1011	
Buffajo	14,027,000	2.5	
Portland, Oreg	9,213,000		- 1
Se David	** 555, 566		

NEW YORK MONEY.

New York, Aug. 7.—There is practically nothin doing in cell money. Some of the institution which, a few days ago, marked up the renew rate to 8 per cent, have brought it back to 6 p interest in the market. There is marked improve paper situation and institutions are solely resuming the purchase of paper. The rate for the best names is 6 per cent.

WASHINGTON PRODUCE.

Quotations given below are for large lots of good marketable goods only. Jobbers' prices are higher. Lower guides may be sold for less. Fancy goods commissioned higher prices.

Little can be said of the condition of the positry and live stock market yesterday. Litheral receipts of young chickens caused a decline in figures. Eggs ruled from at quotations. Vest calves advanced about 1 cent, while spring lambs centinued steady. A demand pressiled for choice lambs and calves.

day announced the condition of spring wheat at 75.5, corn 74.8, oats 73.4, and barley 85.2.

WEEKLY BANK CLEARINGS.

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New York, Aug. I.—Bank clearings in the United States for the week ended August 6 aggregate \$2.933.465,000 against \$2.938.695,000 labst week, and \$1.986,000 on this week less year. Following are the returns for this week with percentages of change from this week isst year:

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WHEAT- O	pen. 904	High.	Low.	Close
December	3612	26%	95	87%
September	75	75%	THN	758
December	684	40%	HT%	65%
OATS— September	384	786	-	901
December	61%	675	61%	CS

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	Furnished by W. B. H. PORK - September	Open.		Low.	Clows. 22.53
•	Reptember	9.50 9.75	9.65 9.82	9.67 9,65	9.60
•	September	12.43	12.79	12.57	12.67

margin account, unless it is to be paid for and taken us, reported that on the day forty orders to buy. Nothing could be more significant than

that as revealing the steadfast faith and confidence and courage of the American investors as a class during the great crisis through which the world is going.
A steady stream of orders to buy flowed into the markets to meet the steady stream of selling orders that came from all the rest of the world. Of course, the DRESSED (ICED) POULTER—Spring stream of selling orders that came trom per lb., lb21; tunkers, per lb., ba22; rooters, per lb., lab2; tunkers, per lb., ba22; rooters, per lb., lab2. rooters, per cutt. John. db. lbens, per lb., lab2. rooters, per cutt. John. db. rooters, lab2. rooters, per cutt. John. db. rooters, lab2. rooters, lab2. rooters, per cutt. John. db. rooters, lab2. rooters, lab2.

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ful prices by the speculative community.
That is the lesson that all investment critics, schools of finance, editors of financial departments, banking-houses and old-fashioned banks are constantly relterating year by year and day by day. In times of peace and plenty it grows mo-notonous, this constant repetition of the fact that he who trades for profit will also trade for loss, and that every chance steady. A demand pressiled for choice lambs and calves.

Finits and vegetables, passing an off day on mixed, 19.00a19.80; No. 1 clover mixed, 18.00a19.00; but clover of money from securities, is counter.

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before the stock exchange closed in July it had not executed a single order to sell either stocks or bonds. On the other hand, it handled on that day more than forty orders to buy bonds of the very quiet type or stocks the panic period for the simple reason that no one would buy them. To use that as an argument to prove that they are better, safer or sounder than the best securities that really could be sold within a fraction of their prices in good times,

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